

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

John WARMINGTON et al.

Title:

DETECTION OF CANDIDA

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K. Shahnan Shah

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

An extension fee for response within the first month was previously paid. The extension fee for response within the third month is accordingly \$420.00. A check for this amount is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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